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Egypt - UH-60L VIP BLACKHAWK Helicopters

On 4 September, the Defense Security Cooperation Agency notified Congress of a possible Foreign Military Sale to Egypt of UH-60L VIP BLACKHAWK helicopters as well as associated equipment and services. The total value, if all options are exercised, could be as high as \$47 million.

The Government of Egypt has requested a possible sale of two UH-60L VIP BLACKHAWK helicopters with engines, two spare T700-GE-701C engines, spare and repair parts, tools and support equipment, publications and technical data, personnel training and training equipment, Cooperative Logistics Supply Support Agreements, and other related elements of logistics support. The estimated cost is \$47 million.

This proposed sale will contribute to the foreign policy and national security of the United States by helping to improve the security of a friendly country which has been and continues to be an important force for political stability and economic progress in the Middle East.

The Government of Egypt will use these helicopters to expand their intra-country transportation requirements, including the movement of their National Command Authority. Egypt, which already has BLACKHAWK helicopters in its inventory, will have no difficulty absorbing the additional helicopters.

The prime contractor will be United Technologies, Sikorsky Aircraft in Stratford, Connecticut. There are no offset agreements proposed in connection with this potential sale.

The proposed sale of this equipment and support will not affect the basic military balance in the region.

Implementation of this proposed sale will require the assignment of a Quality Assurance Team and five contractor representatives for one week to assist in the delivery and deployment of the helicopters.

There will be no adverse impact on U.S. defense readiness as a result of this proposed sale.

This notice of a potential sale is required by law; it does not mean that the sale has been concluded.